



## WASH Working Group Meeting

### Syrian Refugee Response in Jordan

Meeting Location	UNICEF conference room	Meeting Date	21 November 2013
Chair Person	Jamal Shah	Meeting Time	10:00am
Minutes Prepared by	Matthew Richard		
Purpose of Meeting	The WASH working group meets every 3 weeks		
Next Meeting	Thursday 12 December, 10:00am, IRD office		

### 1.) Summary of action points

Item	Action point	Focal Point / Organization
1.)	<b>Information Management</b> Jamal to resend invites to the WASH dropbox for all agencies to upload and share information.	Matthew Richard and Jamal Shah
2.)	<b>Hygiene promotion taskforce</b> Rana and Jamal to take lead on launching a hygiene taskforce to enhance hygiene promotion.	Rana Harbawi and Jamal Shah
3.)	<b>WASH Standards for Camps and Host Communities</b> Einar to take lead on monitoring standards for camps and host communities and will give a presentation at the next meeting.	Einar Sorevik



## 2.) Attendees of the meeting

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## 3.) Minutes

Item	Discussion
<b>RRP6 Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RRP6 narratives are now complete and will be finalised by Geneva HQ by mid-December</li> <li>The WASH sector objective for RRP6 is partly to reduce on-going operation and maintenance costs of WASH facilities</li> <li>RRP6 anticipates 800,000 new arrivals, of which 200,000 will be hosted in camps (Zaatari, Azraq, EJC, Cyber City, King Abdullah Park).</li> <li>Current estimates are that the Zaatari camp population is around 75,000. Zaatari is prepared and will continue to receive newly arrived refugees into Jordan, optimally no more than 80,000 persons.</li> <li>As a result, Azraq refugee camp will for the time being remain a contingency site. The camp should be readied with a contingency capacity of 30,000 persons.</li> </ul>
<b>Information Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concern over information flows between agencies.</li> <li>Matthew Richard (Associate Coordination Officer - UNHCR) was introduced to the WG. Matthew will be responsible for ensuring information flow between UNHCR and other agencies working in the WASH sector working alongside Mohamed Biley (UNICEF).</li> <li>For WASH info &amp; documents, refer to the on-line "Box" storage: <a href="https://www.box.com/signup/collablink/d_528023294/7a4a32df9e549">https://www.box.com/signup/collablink/d_528023294/7a4a32df9e549</a>. All agencies are encouraged to use this to exchange and find information.</li> </ul>
<b>Camps update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zaatari – Juan Frechilla presented an update on WASH in Zaatari camp <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of history of WASH design and implementation</li> <li>Highlighted challenges of WASH in camps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uneven distribution/ growth of camp</li> <li>Overly of congested areas</li> <li>Lack of rule of law/vandalism</li> <li>Water distribution</li> <li>Grey/black water infiltration</li> </ul> </li> <li>Discussions after presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on wastewater treatment plant: Probably operational in 5-6 months</li> <li>Update on water network: Oxfam finalising network design.</li> <li>Gian Melloni from Acted had several points that he will address with Jamal directly.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>Azraq – Ahmed Mohammed Ali presented an update on WASH in Azraq camp <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lessons learnt from Azraq incorporated into WASH design and implementation.</li> <li>Changes incorporated to WASH blocks to alleviate high O&amp;M costs</li> <li>Water network in Azraq is facilitated by 20 storage tanks at 1,900M<sup>3</sup>, 27 km of pipe, and 2,700 septic tanks at 8 M<sup>3</sup> each.</li> <li>Discussions after presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concerns over toilet designs in relation to privacy for women and girls and accessibility for handicap.</li> <li>Costs to fund O&amp;M under RRP6</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Host community update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Said Hameed presented an update on WASH in host communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highlighted issues on scarce Jordanian water resources, UfW/NrW, poor water quality, informal settlements</li> <li>Provision of WASH facilities in 474 schools and rehabilitation in 150 schools</li> <li>Discussion on RRP6 and NRP and the relationship and differences of the two interventions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Hygiene update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rana Harbawi <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expressed concerns over general coordination of the hygiene sector of WASH as each</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



	<p>organisation is working independently.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ There is a gap between hygiene assessments and hygiene reports</li> <li>○ There needs to be a more concise mapping activity of the hygiene sector</li> <li>○ Hygiene promotion needs to be emphasised and accelerated in WASH planning</li> <li>○ Rana and Jamal to take lead on launching a hygiene taskforce to enhance hygiene promotion.</li> </ul>
<b>WASH Standards for Camps and Host communities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Catherine Sherwood presented work on minimum WASH standards for camps and host communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussion on use of minimum standards as a guideline document as there is currently no standard M&amp;E process.</li> <li>○ However the standards are still work in progress and there are some gaps.</li> <li>○ Einar to take lead on monitoring standards for camps and host communities and will give a presentation at the next meeting.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>AOB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Thomas will present a 15 minute presentation at the next WASH WG meeting on environmental standards in refugee camps.</li> <li>● REACH are tasked with producing weekly documents on WASH assessments of Zaatari camp. They are uploaded to the WASH dropbox which is accessible here:  <a href="https://www.dropbox.com/sh/n9ngx1oy848q644/v6gd24hWRa">https://www.dropbox.com/sh/n9ngx1oy848q644/v6gd24hWRa</a> </li> </ul>